



(TS//SI) NSA Benefits from Taiwan's Reporting Expertise

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Taiwan supplying NSA with in-depth, long-term analysis on the PRC (TS//SI)

(TS//SI) As NSA analysts working the Chinese military problem will tell you, getting a handle on the rapid modernization of the world's largest army is a daunting task. Fortunately, NSA analysts now have a new and significant tool in their SIGINT toolbox to aid them -- courtesy of Third Party partner Taiwan.

(TS//SI) For years, Taiwan's [REDACTED] has been a reliable producer of "one-off" activity reports on the PRC military. In the wake of the November "Joint Analytic Conference" at KRSOC* and a December 2004 visit to NSA by [REDACTED], [REDACTED] committed to begin providing NSA with term/trend analysis reporting on the People's Liberation Army (PLA). During the first two months of the year, [REDACTED] has made good on this commitment by **providing over 50 term/analytic reports that run the gamut of PRC military issues**. Several reports have been turned around to NSA customers, generating much response.

(TS//SI) It is also interesting to note that, while [REDACTED] reporting practices is intended to improve satisfaction of [REDACTED] customers' requirements, it also represents a culture change. The analytic reports do not contain Signals Related Information (SRI) and thus give greater protection to sources and methods while providing customers with the full benefit of [REDACTED] impressive analytic expertise. Furthermore, because of her efforts of recent years to familiarize Taiwan SIGINT reporters with NSA's reporting philosophy, SID's [REDACTED] shares credit for this unfolding success.

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KRSOC = Kunia Regional SIGINT Operations Center



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